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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. 121

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Restriction Requirement and Request for Election dated October 2, 2002, setting a **one (1) month** term for response. Prior to examination of the application, please amend the specification of the above-identified application as listed below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at the top of page 1, wherein priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to the parent application, with the following rewritten paragraph:

*A1*  
This application is a divisional application of U.S. application Serial No. 08/928,442, filed September 12, 1997, now U.S. Patent Serial Number 6,214, 985, issued April 10, 2001, entitled "AUTOANTIGEN-LIKE PROTEIN," all of which applications and patents are hereby incorporated herein by reference.